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What does this actually mean? Is the Yerington site on the NPL?

## EPA identifies 21 sites needing swift cleanups

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U.S. EPA today unveiled its long-awaited list of heavily polluted sites that it says are in need of "immediate and intense action."

The **list** includes Superfund sites eligible for EPA cleanup funding as well as others proposed or under consideration for that designation.

Altogether, it comprises 21 sites — more than the 10 originally envisioned by Administrator Scott Pruitt's Superfund Task Force (***E&E News PM***, July 25).

"By elevating these sites we are sending a message that EPA is, in fact, restoring its Superfund program to its rightful place at the center of the Agency's mission," Pruitt said in a statement.

"I have charged the Superfund Task Force staff to immediately and intently develop plans for each of these sites to ensure they are thoughtfully addressed with urgency," he added. "By getting these sites cleaned up, EPA will continue to focus on ways we can directly improve public health and the environment for people across America."

The statement also notes the administrator's Superfund list may expand or contract as appropriate. It made clear as well that "there is no commitment of additional funding associated with a site's inclusion on the list."

Some of the sites on the administrator's list are relatively well-known. The U.S. Smelter and Lead Refinery, San Jacinto Waste Pits, and West Lake Landfill sites were all visited or mentioned by Pruitt since he took over EPA.

Other tracts on the new list are less high-profile. For instance, California's Orange County North Basin, whose groundwater is contaminated, hasn't even been proposed for addition to the Superfund program.

The other sites on the administrator's list are:

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▽□□□□□□ American Cyanamid Co. in Bound Brook, N.J.

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▽ Ventron/Velsicol in Wood Ridge Borough, N.J.

▽ L.A. Clarke & Son in Spotsylvania, Va.

▽ B.F. Goodrich in Calvert City, Ky.

▽ Mississippi Phosphates Corp. in Pascagoula, Miss.

▽ Allied Paper Inc./Portage Creek/Kalamazoo River in Kalamazoo, Mich.

▽ Tar Creek in Ottawa County, Okla.

▽ Des Moines TCE in Des Moines, Iowa

▽ Bonita Peak Mining District in San Juan County, Colo.

▽ Anaconda Co. Smelter in Anaconda, Mont.

▽ Silver Bow Creek/Butte Area in Butte, Mont.

▽ Anaconda Copper Mine in Yerington, Nev.

▽ Portland Harbor in Portland, Ore.

▽ Quendall Terminal in Renton, Wash.

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